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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Sir

On December 4, 2008, Examiner Samson B. Lemma and Applicants' attorney, M. Ari Behar, conducted a telephonic interview. The Examiner indicated that the application would be in condition for allowance, however, in light of a newly found reference, U.S. Patent No. 5,768,382, claims 2, 26, and 73 would require additional amendments. Applicants' attorney, without agreeing that that reference required the amendments, agreed (in order to further the prosecution of the case) to allow the limitations of claim 14 to be incorporated into claims 2 and 73 and to cancel claim 26. The Examiner agreed to that change and also to amend dependent claims 27, 29-32, 35, 36, 38, and 86 to depend on allowed claim 33 instead of claim 26. Applicants' attorney and the Examiner also agreed to correct an error in claim 57.

Conclusion

Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this statement, including an extension fee, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3661. U.S. Application No.: 10/724,034 Attorney Docket No.: 1048-008

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If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Patent Office is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-2900, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

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